GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Forest Department - Diversion of 7.305 Ha of Forest land for laying of 400 KV Quad Moose Double Circuit line from Jammalamadugu to Narnoor (Kurnool) passing through Giddalur C.A Block and Bethamcherla R.F of Kurnool Forest Division, in favour of Executive Engineer, 400 KV Construction Division, AP TRANSCO, Kadapa - Permission accorded - Orders - Issued.

ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (Section.II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 102 **Dated:18-11-2015.**

Read the following:-

1. From PCCF& HoFF, AP, Lr Rc.No.7952/2014/FCA.3, Dt.29-6-2015.
2. State Govt. Lr.No.3832Section.II/2015, Dt. 1-7-2015.
3. From GoI, MoEF& C.C, Lr.No.4-APC009/2015-CHN/677,Dt:14-7-2015.
4. State Govt. Lr.No. 3832Section.II/2015, Dt.17-10-2015.
5. From GoI, MoEF& C.C, Lr.No. 4-APC009/2015-CHN/1605, Dt:5-11-2015.

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ORDER:

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad in his letter 1st read above, has submitted a proposal under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, for diversion of 7.305 Ha of Forest land for laying of 400 KV Quad Moose Double Circuit line from Jammalamadugu to Narnoor (Kurnool) passing through Giddalur C.A Block and Bethamcherla R.F of Kurnool Forest Division, in favour of Executive Engineer, 400 KV Construction Division, AP TRANSCO, Kadapa and requested to forward the same to GoI, Ministry of Environment & Forests, for according necessary approval under Section-2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

2. The said proposal was sent to Government of India, Ministry of Environment & Forests, for their approval under Section-2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 vide State Government letter 2nd read above.

3. Government of India, Ministry of Environment & Forests, vide their letter 3rd read above, have accorded their approval in-principle (Stage.I) under Section-2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, for the proposal, subject to compliance of certain conditions as stipulated therein. Accordingly, the State Government vide letter 4th read above, have furnished compliance report on the conditions stipulated by the Government of India, Ministry of Environment & Forests, while according in-principle (Stage.I) approval.

4. Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests, & Climate Change in their letter 5th read above, have accorded their approval (Stage.II) under Section-2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, for diversion of 7.305 Ha of Forest land for laying of 400 KV Quad Moose Double Circuit line from Jammalamadugu to Narnoor (Kurnool) passing through Giddalur C.A Block and Bethamcherla R.F of Kurnool Forest Division, in favour of Executive Engineer, 400 KV Construction Division, AP TRANSCO, Kadapa, subject to compliance of certain conditions as stipulated therein.

5. Government after careful examination of the proposal, hereby accord permission to the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad, for diversion of 7.305 Ha of Forest land for laying of 400 KV Quad Moose Double Circuit line from Jammalamadugu to Narnoor (Kurnool) passing through Giddalur C.A Block and Bethamcherla R.F of Kurnool Forest Division, in favour of Executive Engineer, 400 KV Construction Division, AP TRANSCO, Kadapa, subject to the following conditions:-

(i) Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged.

(ii) The demarcation of the proposed forest area shall be carried out by erecting 4 feet height cement concrete pillars duly numbered at an interval of 20 meters at the cost of User Agency.

(iii) The Compensatory Afforestation (CA) shall be raised and maintained by the State Forest Department over 14.65 Ha identified degraded forest land in Compartment No.54 in Adoni range at the cost of user agency.

(iv) Revised CA Scheme shall be uploaded in the MoEF& C.C online web portal and hard copy of the same shall be furnished to the MoEF& C.C.

(v) State Forest Department shall carry out plantation of dwarf species preferably medicinal plants in the Right of Way under the transmission line at the cost of User Agency.

(vi) Additional amount of the Net Present Value (NPV) of the diverted forest land if any, becoming due after revision of the same by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in future shall be charged by the State Government from User Agency.

(vii) User Agency shall bear the cost every year for special protection of the forest blocks through which the line is passing, as per the assessment of DFO, Kurnool Division.

(viii) The User Agency and the State Government shall ensure compliance to MoEF& C.C, guidelines F.No.7-25/2012-FC, dated 5th May, 2014 and provisions of the all Acts, Rules, Regulation and Guidelines of the MoEF & C.C, for the time being in force, as applicable to the transmission line projects.

(ix) The Forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the proposal and total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 7.305 Ha and the width of right of way shall not exceed 46 meters.

(x) Any other condition that the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Central), Regional Office, Chennai may impose from time to time in the interest of afforestation, conservation and management of flora and fauna in the area shall be complied by the user agency.

6. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad is directed to take further necessary action in the matter accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force,
Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.

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The Executive Engineer, 400 KV Construction Division, AP TRANSCO, Kadapa

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// FORWARDED:: BY ORDER //

SECTION OFFICER